REMARKS

The Examiner is thanked for his thorough examination. The undersigned also thanks the Examiner for granting an interview on October 20, 2004. During the interview, the patentability of the claimed invention was discussed. It is earnestly believed that agreement has been reached that U.S. patent No. 5,903,761(*Tyma*) does NOT teach or suggest a reduced set of virtual machine instructions for performing a claimed operation (e.g., loading constant values) that is conventionally performed by the complete set of conventional Java Bytecode instructions. Furthermore, it is earnestly believed that agreement has been reached that U.S. patent No. 5,903,761 (*Tyma*) does NOT teach or suggest representing a reduced virtual machine instruction in a set of code and data portions in the virtual machine.

Solely in order to expedite prosecution, claims have been amended to recite one or more of these additional features. Accordingly, it is respectfully submitted that <u>all pending claims are now in condition for early allowance</u>. However, the Applicant reserves the right to pursue the claims of the original scope in a continuation application.

Additional limitations recited in the independent claims or the dependent claims are not further discussed because the limitations discussed above are sufficient to distinguish the claimed invention from the cited art. Accordingly, Applicant believes that all pending claims are allowable and respectfully requests a Notice of Allowance for this application from the Examiner.

Applicants hereby petition for an extension of time which may be required to maintain the pendency of this case, and any required fee for such extension or any further fee required in connection with the filing of this Amendment is to be charged to Deposit Account No. 500388 (Order No. <u>SUN1827</u>). Should the Examiner believe that

a telephone conference would expedite the prosecution of this application, the undersigned can be reached at the telephone number set out below.

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